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1. Japanese Patent Application No. JP 6-255159 - An English-language translation of the document is enclosed.
2. Japanese Patent Application No. JP 7-55573 - An English-language translation of the document is enclosed.
3. Japanese Patent Application No. JP 2766820 - The relevance of this document is discussed at page 2 of the specification of the present application. An English-language translation of the document is enclosed.
4. Japanese Patent Application No. JP 9-42924 - An English-language translation of the document is enclosed.
5. Japanese Patent Application No. JP 6-96212 - An English-language translation of the document is enclosed.
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8. Japanese Patent Application No. JP 2003-30240 - An English-language translation of the document is enclosed.

9. Japanese Patent Application No. JP 9-33215.
10. Japanese Patent Application No. JP 2001-304973.

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